of adjudications and that of the activities and functions of the Council and also to ensure that achievements of the Council are brought home to the people at large. For this purpose, the Council constituted the following Sub-Committee for formulating guidelines in this behalf.

1. Chairman

2. Mr. Prithvis Chakravati—Member

3. Mr. N. R. Chandran—Member

4. Mr. Kamal K. Bhatt—Member.

(II) Adjudicated upon four complaints namely,

(i) Complaint of Mr. Pratap C. Dutta against The Hindustan Times.

(ii) Complaint of M. P. Bank Officers' Association against The Free Press Journal.

(iii) Complaint of Mr. Anil K. Nauriya against The Hindustan Times.

(iv) Complaint of Mr. Shrawn Tiwari, Chief Editor of Prachand weekly against the Government of Uttar Pradesh.

(III) Approved the decision of the Chairman not to issue show cause notice to the respondent-newspaper in respect of the following three matters.

(i) Complaint of Shri Maya Shankar Srivastava against 'Maya' fortnightly.

(ii) Complaint of Shri Mahender Kumar, Proprictor of Shankar Namkeen Bhandar against Chhintay Aur Bauchharay.

(iii) Complaint of Shri R. N. Mishra, Principal, Bhagat Singh Government Inter College against Swadesh.

(IV) Decided to ascertain from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh the position with regard to the proposed A. B. Bill to amend the code of Criminal Procedure and Indian Penal Code to curb yellow journalism.

(V) Decided to initiate *suo-moto* action into the news-item 'IDP top brass behind editor's murder' appearing in the Indian Express dated October 24, 1985 and to ascertain from the Government of Andhra Pradesh whether a judicial inquiry had been ordered into the matter. Likewise, the Council also decided to initiate suo-motu action in regard to the news-item Journalist assaulted by Cops' appearing in the India Express dated October, 29, 1985.

SC|ST families benefited under various programmes in pondicherry

3274. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes families living in the Union Territory of Pondicherry and the number of those who have benefited under the Land Ceiling Laws, abolition of bonded labour and District Rural Development Agencies and Integrated Rural Development programmes;

(b) the number of Scheduled castes and Scheduled Tribes who have benefited during the period 1984-85 under the Self-empolyment Scheme; and

(c) the number of families which are below poverty line an whether the rehabilitation programmes have been formulated for their progress?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (c) The information is being collected from the Government of Pondicherry and will be laid on the Table of the House as and when received.

Misappropriation of funds in Cooperative department of Pondicherry

3275 SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of cases of misappropriation of funds in the Cooperative Department are pending and the case

disposed off in the Union Territory of Pondicherry from 1980 to 1985;

(b) what was the total amount misappropriated and the amount recovered out of the said misappropriated amount;

(c) the number of persons who have been convicted and acquitted; and

(d) the number of cooperative societies that have been liquidated on the ground of misappropriation during the period 1980-85?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) In the Union Territory of Pondicherry, twenty-six cases of misappropriation of funds in cooperative societies were pending disposal during 1980 to 1985. Of those, two cases have been disposed off during the said period.

(b) Out of the total misappropriated amount of Rs. 1,88,980. Rs. 65,407 have been recovered.

(c) Two persons have been convicted, the number of persons acquitted is nil.

(d) Nil.

Flood Assistants Library Attendants and Studio Attendants in the Directorate General Doordarshan, AIR etc.

3276. SHRI SYED AHMAD HASHMI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of floor assistants|library attendants and studio attendants working at present in the Directorate Central, Doordarshan, Delhi Doordarshan and All India Radio and the number of posts of this category lying vacant;

(b) the number out of the above who are working on ad-hoc basis and the reasons for not absorbing these employees on regular basis;

(c) what is the criteria for the selection and making them permanent; and

(d) by when Government propose to absorb these employees on regular basis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) The information in respect of Directorate General, Doordarshan, Delhi Kendra of Doordarshan and Delhi Station of All India Radio for these categories is as under:—

Category	Filled			Vacant		
	DG:DD	DDK Delhi	AIR Delhi	DG:DD	DDK Delhi	AIR Delhi
Floor Assistant . .	Nil	29	Nil	Nil	22	Nil
Library Attendants . .	Nil	1	1	Nil	Nil	1
Studio Attendants . .	Nil	4	3	Nil	Nil	Nil

(b) and (d) The number of ad-hoc empolyees is 'NIL'. Other part of the question and part (d) do not arise.

(c) Selection for the posts is done as per provisions in the Recruitment Rules and the incumbents are made permanent on the basis of availability of permanent posts.

Daily wage employees in the Press Information Bureau

3277. SHRI SYED AHMAD HASHMI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of employees, category-wise, working in the Press In-